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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

In the previous Response to the Restriction Requirement mailed November 15, 2001 (Paper Number 15), Applicant respectfully elected Group I (claims 89-97), drawn to a method for identifying a collection of mutant allergen proteins, classified in class 435, subclass 6. However, in the Response filed December 14, 2001, Applicant failed to elect a single species of biological activity for examination purposes. Applicant thanks the Examiner for pointing out the oversight and wishes at this time to elect T cell stimulatory activity (claim 90) as the species of "biological activity" for examination purposes.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for careful consideration of this case. Please charge any fees that may be associated with this matter, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

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